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## **Flight School Acquires Almost-New Aircraft**

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**Lock Haven, PA, 13 July 2015** – AvSport of Lock Haven, the sport aviation school on Piper Memorial Airport, has just traded in its long-in-the-tooth primary trainer on a newer model. Prof. H. Paul Shuch, the school's founder and Chief Flight Instructor, took delivery of a lightly-used Evektor SportStar Max last Friday, and began giving flight lessons in it over the weekend.

The Czech sportplane, manufactured in 2010, had been used by its previous owner, Evektor dealer Dreams Come True Aviation near Dayton OH, as a demonstrator aircraft. As such, it was in like new condition, having accumulated a scant 365 hours of gentle flight time. "There were several advantages to acquiring a demonstrator aircraft," explains Shuch. "Like a car, an airplane depreciates 10% to 15% the day it rolls off the lot for the first time. Since this is, in fact, a used aircraft, the price was favorable. Insurance is affordable. And, dealers tend to load up their demonstrator vehicles with every conceivable accessory. Thus, our new trainer came equipped with all the bells and whistles, making it ideally suited to training pilots at all levels."

The flight school's previous primary trainer, also an Evektor SportStar Max, was a 2006 model which the school has used heavily in flight training for the past 5 1/2 years. Immaculately maintained and also very well equipped, it was immediately purchased from the Ohio dealer by one of Shuch's former students, who had trained in it, had just received his Sport Pilot certificate in it, knew it well, and felt comfortable acquiring it for personal transportation. "My recent graduate can anticipate many years of pleasant flying in the old bird," comments Shuch, "even though it no longer exudes that 'new airplane' smell."

The Sport Pilot license, in which AvSport specializes, is the newest portal of entry into the world of aviation, allowing prospective pilots to become licensed in half the time, and at half the cost, of the traditional Private Pilot certificate. Piper Memorial Airport is the ancestral home to the legendary Piper Cub, arguably the world's first sport plane. Modern Light Sport aircraft allow pilots to recapture the bygone fly-for-fun Cub era, with increased reliability and improved safety. Anyone interested in learning more about sport flying is invited to browse the school's extensive website at <http://AvSport.org>, where a wealth of free training materials awaits.

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CAPTION: Evektor aircraft dealer Steve Minnich (left) of Dreams Come True Aviation in Ohio hands over the keys of the new SportStar Max airplane to H. Paul Shuch, owner and Chief Flight Instructor of AvSport of Lock Haven.